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### GENTRAL PLANNING STAFF

## PLANNING DIRECTIVE NO. 39

SUBJECT: Censorship Planning

- REFERENCES: (a) Conf memorandum, subj: A Basis for Censorship Planning, submitted to the President by letter of 2h Aug h5, from Mr. Byron Price, then Director of Censorship.
  - (b) Disposition Form from Sec'y, NIA, to Chief, CPS, dated 3 June, with enclosed memorandum from CNI to Director of Central Intelligence, subj: ONI Responsibility for Censorship of Telecommunications.

### 1. The Problem:

- a. In compliance with Planning Directive #5, the Security Branch completed preliminary study and recommended that the Director of the Bureau of the Budget be advised that the NIA is now prepared to receive officially the memorandum referred to in (a), above.
- b. That recommendation was submitted to the Director by disposition form from this office dated 29 May 1946. The Director's action was announced in returned disposition form, referred to in reference (b), above, as follows:

"Informal discussion with representatives of the Bureau of the Budget, as suggested in the reference, has disclosed that the proposed study on censorship planning may be undertaken by C.I.G. without any further official action. The Director has therefore authorized the Central Planning Staff to proceed with its study and to prepare appropriate recommendations.

"The Director has also referred the enclosure to the Central Planning Staff for study and recommendations, concurrently with the above study."

- g. The only Planning Staff copy of reference (b), above, is enclosed under the original hereof for use of the Security Branch. The copy of reference (a) which the Security Branch received under Planning Directive #5 will be retained by the Security Branch for further use under the present directive.
  - d. Planning Directive #5 is herewith closed.
- 2. Planning Requirement:
- The Security Branch will study the memorandum referred to in (a), above, the CNI letter and enclosure referred to in (b), above, and other pertinent data

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pertaining to consorship planning. Based upon this study, the Security Branch will draft a recommended NIA action, designed to establish appropriate long-range consorship planning, to include the development of policies and procedures to be implemented in the event of emergencies requiring the re-institution of censorship.

b. The draft will be submitted to this office in duplicate and an additional copy will be furnished directly to the Policy and Review Branch.

#### 3. Deadline:

An informal progress check will be made on 1 July.

FOR THE ACTING CHIEF, CENTRAL PLANNING STAFF:

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Acting Deputy Chief, Central Planning Staff

1 Encl: Reference (b) - with original only (Security Branch)

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